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 - ☒ Form PTOL-85b
- ☒ Amendment to Change Inventorship Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(B) and Fee (\$130.00)
- ☒ Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowance of the claims. Responsive to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance (the "Statement") in the Notice of Allowability dated July 27, 2007. Applicant's comments as follows.

Applicant agrees that the cited prior art, taken singly or in combination, does not disclose show an endoscope with heat exchanging tip, wherein the heat exchanger has the particular physical relationship to the image sensor and lens assembly recited in the independent claims.

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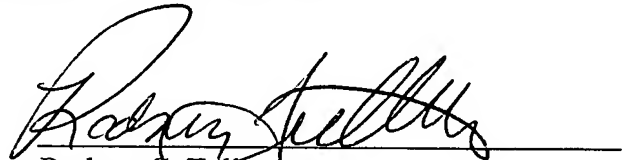
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